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DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES STORMWATER DIVISION DEVELOPMENT REVIEW 800 2ND AVENUE, SOUTH NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37210

June 22, 2010

## Dear Davidson County Property Owner:

The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County would like to include your property located at <<STREET ADDRESS>>, <<CITY>>, <<STATE>> <<ZIP CODE>> in a voluntary Hazard Mitigation Home Buyout Program, which is intended to reduce the number of structures located in dangerous areas affected by the recent flood. Owner participation in this program is voluntary.

Metro Water Services will be submitting home buyout applications for this program to the Tennessee and Federal Emergency Management Agencies (TEMA / FEMA). If you are interested in being a part of the hazard mitigation home buyout program, please complete and return the attached form by August 1, 2010.

Signing this Letter of Interest does not obligate you to sell your property. However, because this program is voluntary, the Letter of Interest must be received by Metro Water Services for you to be included in the program and offered a buyout for your home. Once you have submitted a Letter of Interest, you will be contacted by a Metro Water Services employee about the grant application process.

For questions related to the program or to schedule an appointment with a housing coach, you may call (615) 862-6778 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A housing coach will help you identify resources available for alternative housing as you await completion of the process.

It is critical that you register with FEMA and complete the SBA (Small Business Administration) application for individual assistance before the July 6 deadline. To apply, call 1-800-621-FEMA or visit www.disasterassistance.gov. Participation in the buyout may qualify you for additional FEMA and SBA resources.



Enclosed is a list of Frequently Asked Questions that will begin to address the issues related to the buyout process. Community meetings regarding the program will be held next week at four locations:

W.A. Bass Middle School 5200 Delaware Avenue Road Monday, June 28 6 – 8 p.m.

Isaiah T. Creswell Middle Arts Magnet School 3500 John Mallette Drive Tuesday, June 29 6 – 8 p.m. Dupont Tyler Middle School 431 Tyler Drive Wednesday, June 30 6 – 8 p.m.

Apollo Middle School 631 Richards Road Thursday, July 1 6 – 8 p.m.

We recognize that the May flood destroyed homes, possessions, and personal memories. We hope that you will consider participating in this effort to safeguard the lives and property most at risk for harm from future flooding.

Sincerely,

Scott A. Potter, P.E.

**Water Services Director**